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TO AMEMBASSY MONROVIA

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD
TO PRESIDENT TOLBERT: QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: YOUR
KIND AND THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON THE
OCCASION OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINTH ANNIVERSARY
OF OUR INDEPENDENCE AS A NATION SYMBOLIZES THE CLOSE
FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL RESPECT WHICH HAVE LONG CHARACTERIZED
RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLE. SINCERELY, GERALD R.
FORD. UNQUOTE.

2. REPEATED FYI IS THE TEXT OF PRESIDENT TOLBERT'S MESSAGE
TO PRESIDENT FORD. QUOTE: THE PRESIDENT THE WHITE HOUSE
WITH IMMENSE PLEASURE DO I WARMLY SALUTE AND HEARTILY CON-
GRATULATE YOUR EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON THE HAPPY OCCASION OF THE
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CELEBRATION OF YOUR NATION'S ONE HUNDRED NINETY-NINTH

INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY AND THE JOYOUS COMMENCEMENT OF THE
BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF YOUR GREAT
COUNTRY IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF
LIBERIA. AS WE LOOK DOWN THE LONG CORRIDORS OF HISTORY WE
SEE THE TREMENDOUS INFLUENCE EXERTED BY THE SPIRIT OF
SEVENTY-SIX WHICH DIFFUSED THE IDEALS OF LIBERTY FREEDOM
AND INDEPENDENCE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. WE SHARE WITH YOU
THE ENDURING JOYS OF THOSE IDEALS WHICH NEITHER THE MARCH
OF TIME NOR MATERIAL PROGRESS CAN SUPPRESS. AS YOU
GLORIOUSLY ENTER THE BICENTENNIAL ERA WE ONCE MORE RENEW
THE ASSURANCES OF OUR EARNEST DESIRE TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN
AND MORE FIRMLY CEMENT THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP AND TRUST
AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION THAT HAVE CLOSELY BOUND OUR TWO
PEOPLES TOGETHER FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY. PLEASE ACCEPT
OUR BEST WISHES FOR YOUR CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH LONG LIFE
AND PERSONAL WELL-BEING AND FOR THE INDUSTRIOUS PEOPLE OF
AMERICA UNITY PEACE GREATER PROSPERITY AND SOLIDARITY
UNDER YOUR NATION'S PERPETUAL BANNER OF OLD GLORY. WITH
SENTIMENTS OF HIGHEST ESTEEM AND CONSIDERATION, W. R.
TOLBERT; JR. UNQUOTE.

3. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT BUT HAS NO
OBJECTIONS IF GOL INTENDS TO.

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